

Appl. No. 09/980,881  
Amdt. dated August 31, 2005  
Response to Notice of Allowanced  
dated June 1, 2005

PATENT

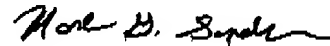
**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

With entry of this amendment, claims 3-7, 9, 11, 16, 18-20, 24-26, 32 and 34-44 remain pending. Claims 38 and 40-44 are amended for consistency with amendments to claims 37 and 39, as made by the Examiner's amendment of June 1, 2005. Applicant submit this amendment does not affect the claim scope and does not add new matter.

**Conclusion**

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite entry of this amendment, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

Respectfully submitted,



Mark G. Sandbaken  
Reg. No. 39,354

Date: Aug. 31, 2005

TOWNSEND and TOWNSEND and CREW LLP  
Two Embarcadero Center, Eighth Floor  
San Francisco, California 94111-3834  
Tel: 650-326-2400  
Fax: 415-576-0300  
MGS/sej  
Attachments  
60431954 v1